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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: T. TAMURA, et al.
Application No.: 09/635,217
Filed: August 10, 2000
For: AN EXTERNAL STORAGE DEVICE USING NON-VOLATILE SEMICONDUCTOR MEMORY
Art Unit: 2186
Examiner: P. M. Bataille

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SUBMISSION OF AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.114

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

January 20, 2004

Sir:

In response to the Advisory Action dated November 5, 2003, and in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.114, please amend the above-identified application as listed below and as set forth on the following pages, noting the timely filing of a Notice of Appeal, on October 20, 2003 together with a Petition for Extension of Time, in response to the Final Rejection dated June 20, 2003 and the filing of a Petition for Extension of Time with the present amendment and RCE:

Amendments to the Claims

Remarks are included following the amendments.